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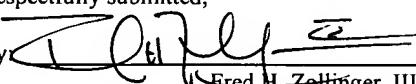
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(X) Applicant claims small entity status. (X) Application Data Sheet.
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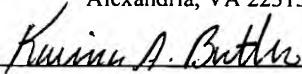
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